

Remarks

Applicants have carefully considered the Office Action dated June 3, 2005 and the references cited therein. Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the application.

Claims 1-12 and 14-19 are currently pending.

Claims 14-19 are allowed.

Claim 13 has been previously canceled, without prejudice.

Claims 1-12 have been canceled by this amendment, without prejudice.

Claims 20-25 are added by this amendment.

Claim 14 has been amended to provide the correct the plural form of "process" (claim14, line 3). Applicants have voluntarily amended this claim. Such amendment has not been made to distinguish over any reference of record or for patentability purposes to comply with 35 USC 112. Accordingly, no narrowing of any corresponding equivalents to which this claim is entitled is intended by this amendment.

Newly added method claims 20-25 include limitations substantially identical to those of allowed claims 14-19. Specifically, the preamble of method claim 20 now recites "In a server process operatively coupled over a computer network to a plurality of client processes ... a method for enabling conferencing over a computer network comprising:" (claim 20, line 1-7). As such, claim 20 provides the same structural limitations as claim 14 for both the server process and the plurality of client processes. In addition, limitations (A) through (D) recite the same functional language associated with the server process in claim 14. Accordingly, claim 20 is believed allowable over the prior art of record, with the considered singularly or in combinations, for at least the same reasons as allowed claim 14.

Claims 21- 25 include all the limitations of claim 20, either directly or indirectly, and are likewise believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 20, as well as for the merits of their own respective limitations. Specifically, claims 21-23 include limitations similar to allowed claims 15-18, respectively, and are believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claims 15-18. Claims 24-25 include limitations similar to allowed 19 and are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 19.

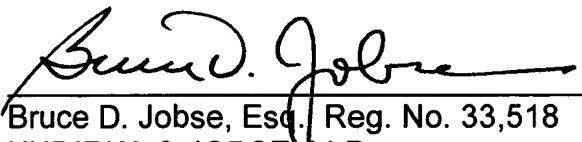
Applicants respectfully reassert all of the remarks and traversals set forth in prior responses to the extent still relevant to the outstanding rejections.

Any amendments to the claims as set forth herein, including the addition, cancellation, or withdrawal of any claims, have been offered to advance this application to issue. None of the amendments made herein should be construed as an admission that the subject matter of the claims, as originally filed, is anticipated by or made obvious in light of any art of record whether considered singularly or in combinations. Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the originally filed claims in another co-pending application without being prejudiced by any amendments, including cancellation of claims, made herein.

Applicants believe the claims are in allowable condition. A notice of allowance for this application is solicited earnestly. If after considering the above remarks and amendments, the Examiner is of the opinion that not all claims recite allowable subject matter, Applicants respectfully request a telephone interview with the Examiner and his/her respective Supervisory Patent Examiner to resolve any outstanding issues by Examiner's Amendment prior to issuance of any an Advisory Action.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any balances under 37 CFR §1.17, and 1.16 to Deposit Account No. DA-12-2158.

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